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the number of Greeks living in Czecho-
slovakia totalled about 10 thousand.

Among this number were many women who had
lost their husbands in World War II. The Greeks were not
scattered among the Czechs but had settled in larger groups,
often setting up their own colony. Most of these groups had
settled in the northwestern and later in the eastern part of
Moravia, in the districts of Jesenik (formerly Frywaldov) and
Valasske Mezirici. Most of the men were employed in the con-
struction and building industries; the women worked on the
state agriculture farms. Older children received training in
various trades.

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the Greeks in Czechoslovakia were solidly pro-Communist.

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The children were well fed and housed, and given a chance to
learn a trade by the Czech government. The Greeks retained
their own customs; they did not associate very much with the
Czechs.

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of any disturbances among Czechs and
Greeks, nor any complaints or rumors of bad

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behaviour on the part of the Greek groups in Czechoslovakia.

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